

PRESIDENT TAFT last week removed two Texas U. S. Marshals for pernicious activity in the late campaign. They were "pernicious" in behalf of Col. Roosevelt's candidacy. I fancy that many of the federal office holders who are now boasting that they will serve a number of years under the Democratic administration will be given the same treatment by President Wilson as soon as he can get the bouncing machine in order. It is to be hoped. In the language of the New York Sun, "turn the rascals out!"

THE Press Meeting at Poplar Bluff last Friday was well attended by Southeast newspaper men. It was a business meeting and the business in hand was treated in a business-like way. An earnest desire for improvement and advancement was evinced all along the line. I was glad that I had broken through my stay-at-home habit long enough to be there. Those I met were men to whom it was pleasure to extend greeting—practical men with the idealism necessary to exertion for the better future. Sober men, fully imbued with the responsibilities and requirements of their calling. The "get together" disposition shown was gratifying, and I have no doubt that we all are closer together, with more of charity for, and increased good-will toward, each other, than before. We may hereafter, as heretofore, quarrel on points of religion and politics, but, impressed with the truth "that differences need not make devils," we'll give and take in brotherly love—eh? The incidents of the trip to and the impressions and doings of the day spent at the City on the Black will be given next week.

THE Post-Dispatch last Thursday printed a "special" dated at Iron-ton. It was as full of vain imagining as an egg is of meat, sensationally headed, "Excitement Filled Barbara Allen's Life in Iron-ton." She had no part in the Swift matter that I ever heard of, and no one here connected her with it. I shall not enter into detail in this brief notice of the "special," which is reproduced in another column. Had it been conceived for the ex-oration of the Rev. Dr., it could not have more closely stuck to the text of its purpose. Mr. Ringo tells me that, in a desultory conversation with the reporter who quotes him, he did not mention the church trial; that that subject was not suggested. The egg-throwing incident was adverted to and discussed, but he did not say that "many persons came to me," etc., and that "the prosecuting officials would not act." What Mr. Ringo said was, "Two persons came to me and told me they knew who had thrown the eggs, but, for reasons sufficient to myself, I paid no attention to them." Anyone who knows Mr. Ringo, knows that he would not have hesitated to institute proceedings against the offenders had he obtained reliable information as to their personality. As to the other sources of the correspondent's "story," it doesn't matter, since it is repudiated by the only person quoted to give it standing. All the Swift incidents have been threshed out to a fare-you-well, and time is too short and space too valuable to be wasted upon them. The Swift case is *res adjudicata*.

Annapolis News.

Looks much like rain or snow today. Can't tell what it will do between now and Christmas.

Bro. Ed. Sherrell preached at the church house here last night. He is a General Baptist and good talker.

A good deal of whiskey and beer drinking here Saturday night. Some quarreling, but no one hurt. It might be well for the prosecuting attorney to make inquiry into the sale of booze hereabouts.

Lots of car loading this morning. Three crews at work, loading ties and lumber.

All railroad men must now submit to having their breath inspected. If there is a scent of alcohol no more work for you until the tonic is all out of your system.

John McFall, of Des Arc, Mo., was in town and called on Squire Kitchell and settled the justice's costs in case of John McFall vs. L. E. Mayor. This was a suit for \$133.90 for apples plaintiff sold defendant in December, 1910. Mayor was vouched for by the Bank of Iron-ton, but he would never pay this debt.

Skip Lewis made a flying trip home for Thanksgiving dinner, but his good woman started him back to work soon and he is now skidding ties from Bear Branch to Annapolis.

Mrs. Mathias Bolch is visiting her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Benson, in St. Louis.

Charles E. Bolch, his clerk, Chas. Hampton, and Lee Castile enjoyed themselves yesterday, marking, branding and tagging several head of young cattle on Brushy Creek.

Wm. Sutton sold Wm. Kelly a fine horse last week. Price, \$100. One of the firm of C. R. Crow & Bro., lumber dealers, Iron-ton, was a caller on Squire Kitchell Monday.

Albert Radford of Jewett was in town to-day trying to make a trade for John McFall's town property.

Gus Funk has moved his planing mill across the railroad preparatory to rebuilding the same.

Well, there is a great talk about removal of postmasters throughout the United States, but Annapolis people seem to be satisfied with their postmaster, and, especially, the assistant postmistress, and have no kick coming.

Business seems to be picking up. There is much talk that the Annapolis boys will come clear the 16th of the month when their trial comes up. Some think they have been punished enough.

BULLETIN.

Pippin-Anderson.

Married—November 20, 1912, at the home of Rev. Aspley, in Arcadia, Mr. G. W. Pippin and Miss Nellie Anderson, in the presence of relatives and friends. After the wedding the party returned to the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Anderson, where several friends were waiting to welcome the newly married couple home.

After a delicious supper was served the merry guests bid bride and groom, "goodbye," with best wishes for a long and happy life! May their pathway be strewn with many flowers! A FRIEND.

Goodland Items.

December has come. The woods are afire around us. Farmers are mostly done gathering corn.

The pumpkins were few. Walnuts and hickory nuts are abundant.

The mills are all running full time.

G. G. Adams and sons attended the Thanksgiving exercises and dinner at Goodland school.

Mr. Farmer made a trip to Belgrade last week.

Another one of our boys has become a married man lately, Ol. Mayfield.

There was no school at either of the Goodland school houses, Thanksgiving, Miss Pippin and Judge Sutterfield each going home to dinner.

J. L. Brooks and family with grandma Brooks spent the week end with Mrs. Olivia Brakelield at Goodwater.

Theodore and Jesse Brooks write from Montana that they are now established on their homestead for the winter.

J. S. Eaton, of Carondalet, late of Edge Hill, is visiting his sisters, Mrs. Myra Adams and Miss Ella Eaton at Goodland. It looks good to see Jos back again.

C. R. Oesch and family have sent to St. Louis for their household goods and will make Goodland their home. Mr. Oesch is employed by F. M. Adams.

Mrs. Letitia Wilson and daughter were guests of Mrs. Emma Holmes last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mayberry, of Goodwater, were week-end guests of Mrs. N. W. Short.

W. E. Chilton, of Brunot, was the guest of Mr. Pippin last week. He and Mr. Pippin made a business trip to Centerville.

Miss Nora Stricklin, of Goodland, was the week-end guest of Miss Bishop.

John Keith lost a long string of fence by fire one night not long ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Troutman are rejoicing over the arrival of a little son. Mr. and Mrs. Gentry Goggins have a little daughter.

Mr. Glenn Farmer and Mrs. Betty Sutterfield, of Reynolds county, were married last Sunday.

John Love and family visited friends at Lesterville lately.

Naomi Rayfield is visiting her grandparents at Lesterville.

Miss Pippin spent Saturday calling upon the parents of her pupils.

W. B. Brooks is building a new barn. J. P. Brooks is building a new corn crib. N. W. Adams and son are putting new roofs on some of their out buildings.

* A new store is starting up at the old Eaton stand at the head of Middle Fork. Molamius Nossede and his uncle are the proprietors. TIMOTHY HAY.

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